

THE NEW BAMFIELDER

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NO ODE TO THE HAGGIS, NO COZY GATHERING WITH FELLOW VILLAGERS!!

OH ROBBIE, WE HAVE FORSAKEN YE.



Icy Bamfield Road defeats road contractor, 17 January. photo Rae Hopkins



Wayne and Maria Newfield's Anacla home, Christmas Day, 2011. photo Rae Hopkins



Bradys Beach, New Year's Day, 2012. photo Roseline

BAMFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT UNDER SIEGE!!!

Bamfield's road contractor, Encon Services, delivering road sand, skids off the road (pic opposite). **Emily Wenstob**, with her wheelbarrow, shifts the load from the lost truck and sands the road; ten slippery ascents and descents up the Derby Hill. Way to go girl! L. Druehl

Fishing News. Our winter Chinook fishery is well under way now. There have been a few fish around since the beginning of the year and it should improve through the next couple of months. Smaller Chinook in the 5 - 8 pound range are quite common with a few going up to 15 pounds. Watch for the presence of birds feeding on bait fish. Find the bait fish and the salmon will not be far away. Try trolling small spoons or needle fish hootchies behind a flasher right near the bottom. Prawn and crab fishing is good all winter. We just need mother nature to give us some nice days. Ken Bodaly, Rocky Point Charters

Ponderosa: a mini- history (continued). Last month we were introduced to an established Ponderosa. When BC Hydro took over from Bamfield Utilities they wanted to put in 3 trailers so Ostrom's gave permission and a septic field was carved from the alders and blackberries. The Ponderosa grew. Later, **Mike Riles** was doing big machine work and needed a place for his crew and the Ponderosa was re-configured to about the way it is today. It became **Carl Ostrom's** little game. If he liked you or if you needed a place for a camper he'd think up a creative dollar value and you could be a resident! Now, the Ponderosa is populated with summer fishermen who leave their trailers all year round. In the summer **Frank Rogers** is the caretaker. Throughout the year **Gordy Lamb** is the Ponderosa's caretaker, maintenance guy and resident. Stories still flow though the original characters have gone. Hopefully, to be continued. Suzanne Jennings

Tinkler! Music by the Sea presents Toronto-based jazz pianist **Chris Donnelly** in concert at the Rix Centre for Ocean Discoveries at 7 pm, Saturday February 4th. Admission is by donation. Chris is the first artist to take advantage of MBTS's winter residency program. Chris Donnelly is one of Canada's rising jazz stars and we are delighted to give Bamfielders this opportunity to hear him. Heather Cooper

The BCSA and HFN are offering 2 cooking classes, 2 computer classes, a Financial Literacy workshop, and a Parents-As-Literacy-Supporters workshop. They need individuals to volunteer as literacy tutors once a week. A teacher from VAST is coming to Bamfield and Anacla to help with upgrading and high school completion. Catherine at 728 1220 or Jeanne at 728 3692 for more information.

Needed: Casual cleaning person at east side BVFD. Contact Linda 728-1233.

Roseline's thought: **Standing in love is being under the weather together.**

In Bamfield it never stops !

The real stuff! Just to set the record straight, the first issue of The Bamfielder was published January 24, 1975 by the Bamfield Community Hall Society and Editor **Elinor Rhynas** (my mom): circulation 110 households from Pachena Lighthouse to Copper Island. The last issue, #15, was published September, 1976. That same month, folks from the Bamfield Marine Station together with local residents, formed a "collective" of eight editors: **Barb Bunting, Wendy Craik, Bill Dixon, Chris Lobban, John McNamee, Sheila Ponich, Eileen and Joan Rosenberg.** The first issue was #16, declaring on its front page, "Yes, The Bamfielder will continue." And that's the history of the original Bamfielder. Kathy Happynook

A good storm hit Bamfield on December 24 with the heaviest rain of 2011(2.57 inches). This followed with a Christmas day wind and power outage. December ended up with 9.13 inches--16 inches is norm. As of the 25th of January we have 11 inches of rain (3.09 inches January 3); biggest wind 64 clicks on the 22nd; and low temp -4 degrees C. on the 19th). **2011 summary:** For the year 2011, I recorded 80.1 inches of rain (102.49 inches is the yearly average). However, I missed a month. Rainiest month was February with 13.4 inches; high temp of the year was 23.0 degrees C. on the 11th of September; low temp was -5 C. in February; big wind was 64 clicks in November. Jerry Baird

Mega-quake and Tsunami. On January 26, 2012, the 212th anniversary of the tsunami and earthquake that changed the landscape of the west coast of North America, Bamfield Community Emergency Program tested 3 Bamfield and Anacla warning stations. Linda Myres, Coordinator

The big, 1700, (est. 8.7-9.2) earthquake in our area was established by cedar growth-rings, First Nation oral tradition, and a documented orphan tsunami that struck Japan. Seismic studies have documented several large (greater than 8) earthquakes in this area every 300-900 years. However, it is guesstimated that there is a 37% chance for a big one in the next 50 years: the message, anytime! L. Druehl



Community Forest invaders. photo P. Roberge

About Pizza and such!

Well, I'm dazzled by your article!!!...but I must set you straight about a couple of things. **Rick** and I co-owned the **Kamshee Store** with **Syd** and **LaRae Baker**, the store that **Rolf** and **Rita** have now. As to **Disneyland Pizza**, it was started by Syd and LaRae to help fund a trip to Disneyland for their kids. Rick and I later became partners in the pizza business, which was located in the room between the restaurant and the store, where the deli is now, and it was called **Pizza by the Sea.** **Linda Haylock** designed the seahorse logo with a 5 starfish rating!! It was a great little business, the boys made extreme pizzas and it served Bamfield well. Pizzas were delivered by boat for pick up on the west side. We have many fond memories of Pizza by the Sea, the customers, the stories, the employees and the smell of pizza when Rick came home late at night with that last pizza with all the leftover toppings. YUMMY! Anyone for pizza? Bev Macleod

Cuckoos in Coombs, a Vesuvio pizza, a Caesar salad (the real thing with raw egg—take that salmonella paranoia—and a hint of anchovy) and great ambience...lunch for two \$25.00 plus HST. Located behind **Larry Geekie's** Old Country Market, Cuckoos is an extension of a series of enterprises that changed Coombs from a place to stop if you needed gas to a destination. Larry's secrete to success: colourful and novel produce and venue, and friendly staff. And....

Harbour Pizza in Port Alberni serves great homemade pizzas. I like the **Ian Bratt** Special (named after the owner of PetroCan across from Scotia Bank) a lot (3-Tumser©), but the Alberni Deli Meat Delight is a 4-Tumser©. L. Druehl

PLEASE STOP!! Would the individuals responsible for dumping garbage in the Community Forest, off South Bamfield Rd., please stop dumping everything from yard waste to construction material and even sofas (photo opposite). Garbage is garbage and if you have yard wastes – compost it, shred it or spread on toast – **DO NOT DUMP YOUR WASTE IN OUR COMMUNITY FOREST.** Community members have been witnessed doing this so if this continues a list will be published with your name shown to your neighbours! **Bob Baden**

Catherine's Coming Events: Feb 4: Free Jazz Concert by Chris Donnelly, 7pm at the RIX.

Feb 6: Cooking class @ the Fire hall, 6pm.

Feb 9: Visit from Science World @ 10:30am @ School.

Feb 13: Cooking class @ House of Huu-ay-aht, 6pm.

Feb 14: Hoops for Heart event @ the School.

Feb 20: Community Affairs @ 7:30pm.

Feb 21: Community lunch, noon at the school,\$5.

Not again! Dec. 30, a Silverado pickup was stolen from 300 block Bamfield Road. www.avcrimestoppers.ca.

Letters and comments are welcome. Submissions will be edited for clarity and taste, and should be brief. Classifieds should not exceed 15 words (no commercial ads). All submissions must have the author's name and telephone number. Submit to ldruehl@island.net. *The New Bamfielder* is a free paper but we encourage readers to contribute to Bamfield Community School Assoc. youth programs. Louis Druehl